

**ABATE of North Idaho**  
**Clearwater Chapter**  
Meeting Minutes

July 7, 2007

Chapter Coordinator Bud Wilson called the meeting to order at 11:10 am.

There were 5 Officers, 11 members, and 1 guest present at the meeting.

The last meeting minutes were not available and not read or approved.

**Coordinator report:** At the last State Meeting there was no voting due to lack of attendance of Board members and chapters. Discussions at the meeting revolved around nominations for offices and the fact that a state secretary is needed. All positions presently held by officers are who were nominated; there were no new nominations.

The next State Meeting will be Oct. 7, 2007 held in Moscow. The 2008 meetings dates are set for the first Sunday of each month in Moscow.

**State Newsletter:** Pauline Durst reported that the newsletter is presently done and input is needed for the next one. Pauline stated that she is happy to accept any and all input for future letters. Pauline read an article from the present newsletter we all enjoyed the story.

**Deputy Coordinator report:** Jesse reported that the state is still wanting input on a new place for the next Spring Opener to be held. Kathy reported that she has requirement sheets available if any one is interested. All suggestions need to be given to Chuck so he can get them to the State Officers so they can get on top of the situation and find an appropriate place for the 2008 Opener. We are running short on time so if you have any suggestions please get them to the appropriate persons ASAP.

**Secretary report:** Dee Hutchinson expressed an interest in helping out with the secretary position until the elections. Bud appointed Dee temporary Secretary. So folks bare with me, I will do the best I can.

**Treasurer report:** Jesse reported that the Chapter was reimbursed for the "Best of The West Conference". The bank account balance at the time was reported.

**Membership report:** Lindsay reported that all 48 members were in good standing.

**Ambassador at Large:** Steve reported that he was present and nothing new to report.

**Safety & Education report:** No report was available.

**My Space report:** No report available. Kathy did state that she was able to access the space and she removed some of the “FRIENDS” that were not acceptable to our criteria for our space on My Space.

**Old Business:** The 2007 patches for the “Friendship Run” have been ordered. 50 patches were ordered. Recognition Express has made a quote for the patches, we will check to see if the price will be the same for next year. The “Friendship Run” is a sanctioned run. A reminder the “Friendship Run” will be September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> in Pierce, Idaho.

Kathy let us know that the pens that were ordered are in, and she handed some out to all that were present. More pens are available. Kathy noted that more of the pens could be ordered at a lower cost per pen. She also stated that a check was needed to pay for the ones received. Pauline made a motion that a check be written to cover the cost, Jesse seconded the motion, a vote was taken and the motion passed. The checkbook was not available so it was authorized for Kathy to use the debit card to pay for the pens.

A discussion about the July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2007 Southfork Campout took place. An inquiry as to how many of the members would be able to attend. Of the members present no one could verify that they would be able to go.

The flyers for the “Birthday Campout” were approved and will be available soon. This is not a sanctioned event so waivers will have to be signed to attend.

**New Business:** Pauline, Jesse, and Kathy brought up the subject of having the chapter provide a donation for the “Best of The West Conference”. The donation would go to the MRF to help pay for the people who fight in the government for our motorcycle rights. Pauline made a motion that the Chapter makes a donation for 2007, Kathy seconded the motion, and a vote was taken and passed. Ideas for future donations were made. One of the ideas was that we use the gag gift income for the future donations. Pauline motioned that we use the gag gift money for future donations to “Best of The West Conference”/MRF, Tom Reid seconded the motion, a vote was taken and passed. Another idea for raising money for the donation was that a fundraiser of a run, this would be discussed in future meetings.

Pauline and Jesse attended the last MRF “Best of The West Conference”. It was found out that Pauline does not like ghosts. A discussion about Bud attending the 2008 conference took place. It is felt that the entire chapter would benefit if Bud were able to attend. There was discussion on the Conference to be held in Idaho for 2009. More information will follow after future meetings. Jesse attended classes about International laws and how they affect us here in the USA. DOT helmet stickers are not government approved standards just guidelines that the DOT goes by. MRF is presently fighting the rewording of the insurance companies rules/laws. The statistics that they are saying are of a broad spectrum, and that 75% of accidents involving motorcycles are not the rider’s fault.

Bud attended the Alki Angels last meeting it was discussed that their campout at Myrtle Beach on July 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, and 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2007 will be open to ABATE if you would like to attend.

On July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2007 ICMS will be in Pierce to discuss the Friendship Run, any one interested may attend the meeting.

The 50/50 drawing was held and the winner James Hutchinson donated his winnings back to the Chapter. Rah Rahs to you, James.

Last month the Gag Gift was won by Donnie Graham, he donated it to new member Jody Farve. Jody provided the gag gift for this month, and was won by Linda Burchett. The gift was a Harley bag and 100 Years of Harley Davidson Advertising Book. Congratulations Linda!!!!

Discussions for the roadside cleanup were held over until next month.

Our next meeting, August 4<sup>th</sup>, will be held at Kathy and Jesses house in Pierce at 11:00 am. Parade line up is at 12:00 noon, and parade run at 1:00pm. The twins donated two bags of candy for the parade. Thanks Twins!!

Tom Reid motioned that the meeting come to an end, Lindsay Wilson seconded the motion a vote was taken and the meeting ended at 12:30 pm.

Taco feed followed the meeting. If nothing else this chapter can put out a great spread of food.

Be well to you all until next month!!!!

Dee, Secretary  
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